

Nevada Well Driller's Annual Newsletter June 2012

State of Nevada Division of Water Resources

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Message from Jason King, State Engineer

Welcome to another new year and with it the Nevada spring weather in the air. This past year we have made a few changes in the well driller examination process to provide more opportunities and locations to take the test and to separate part three of the examination to be conducted at the quarterly Advisory Board Meetings. I would like to express my sincere appreciation at the much higher exam scores we have been seeing as it shows that applicants are much more prepared than ever before when sitting for the test and Board interview. Congratulations to all new licensees! You are true groundwater professionals that all Nevadans rely upon to deliver quality well construction and protection of safe drinking water.

The Final Draft Revisions of the Well Drilling Regulation are now complete and are available on our web page at water.nv.gov. Three public workshops were scheduled in April in Carson, Elko and Las Vegas where proposed changes to the draft were made right at the workshop. My staff has worked hard to consider all comments, to incorporate as many as possible, and has fine tuned the regulation to make it better. A profound thank you to staff and to all those that provided input. The last opportunity to comment is set for May 31, 2012, in Carson City at a public hearing, after which the regulation may be adopted. We will be working on a new regulation booklet as soon as possible.

I would like to take a moment to thank our administrative staff that initially handle many of the well drilling related questions on a day to day basis. Sue Gilbert in Carson and Tamara Powell in Las Vegas field your calls and are my front line contacts. Sue also works on all the nuts and bolts of getting your license issued and renewed, and keeping our web page up to date.

Lastly, as some of you may know, Tom Gallagher is retiring from the State Engineer's Office after over 31 years of public service here with the Division. Everyone here has relied upon his vast experience for answers to a wide array of water rights and well drilling and plugging issues and he will be sorely missed. He says he is going to do "whatever he wants" but also says he does not see himself not working. We will likely see him around in the not too distant future. Good luck, Tom!

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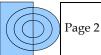
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You can view the web for your carryover CEU's

Just go to our website at <u>water.nv.gov</u>, click on the "Programs" tab. Under the "Well Drillers" topic, click on the "2012 Carryover of Driller's CEU credits".

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Statewide Well Driller's Advisory Board Members

Advisory Board Member's Name	License Number	Company	Location
Roger Thrall	1132	Aqua Drilling Company	Reno, NV
Fred B. Allen III	1301	Allen Drilling, Inc.	Las Vegas, NV
Gary (Layne) Harris	1698	Nevada Newmont	Elko, NV
Daniel Kohlman (alternate)	2193	Boart Longyear	Elko, NV
Harlen (Andy) Andresen (alternate)	1028	Andresen Exploration Drilling	Reno, NV

Upcoming Well Drillers Exam Dates

June 21, 2012 – Written Examination parts I & II is given in Carson City, Elko and Las Vegas

July 19, 2012 – Written Examination parts I & II is given in Carson City, Elko and Las Vegas

August 1, 2012 – The Board meets in Carson City to conduct interviews, (part III)

August 2, 2012 – The Board meets in Las Vegas to conduct interviews, (part III)

September 20, 2012 – Written Examination parts I & II is given in Carson City, Elko and Las Vegas

October 18, 2012 – Written Examination parts I & II is given in Carson City, Elko and Las Vegas

November 7, 2012 – Board interviews, part III, meets in Carson City

November 8, 2012 – The Board meets in Las Vegas to conduct interviews, (part III)

December 20, 2012 – Written Examination parts I & II is given in Carson City, Elko and Las Vegas

The Well Drillers Exam consists of three parts:

- I.) A written examination to determine the applicant's knowledge of the rules and regulations for drilling wells in the State of Nevada.
- II.) Identification of a well location on a topographic map by full legal description.
- III.) An oral interview by the Statewide Well Driller's Advisory Board regarding the applicant's experience and knowledge of general drilling practices.

There is limited seating at each examination. It is essential that each potential well driller appear for the scheduled exam date. Notices for the exam are sent out approximately four weeks prior, and it is up to the applicant to schedule vacations, work load or other necessities around the scheduled exam date.

Companies that have employees scheduled for the examination should make the necessary provisions for their employees to take the time to prepare for and pass the examination.



Well Drillers Licensed in the State of Nevada

The Statewide Well Driller's Advisory Board recommended to the State Engineer that licenses for 35 new well drillers be approved in 2011-2012 (listed below). As of May 2012, there were a total of 394 licensed drillers by the State of Nevada.

In the previous year 2010-2011, there were 22 newly licensed well drillers and a total of 380 licensed drillers by the State of Nevada.

Most applicant's are licensed as water well drillers, but some are issued limited (LTD) license's that pertain class or types of work e.g., M = monitor wells, ABDS = shallow dewater wells, R&P = recondition and plugging.

License Number	Driller's Name	License Number	Driller's Name
2437	Kyle Lockett	2454	Steven Teal
2438	Robert Leininger	2455	William Gomer
2439	Daniel Ciraulo	2456	Dakota Seward
2440	Corey Fitts	2457	Wayne Long
2441	Justin Clift	2458	Clint Gardner
2442	Jeff Hacking	2459	Trevor Gardner
2443	William Ryan	2460	Homer Brown
2444-M	Shawn Steiner	2461	Jason Wilson
2445	Stephen Dunagan	2462	Steven Barnes
2456	Bryan Bailey	2463-LTD.	Joshua Nelson
2447	Sam Schick	2464	Nolan Rosenlund
2448	Jeffery Eve	2465	Logan Rosenlund
	,	2466-M	Kenneth Cook
2449	Robert Dobush	2467-LTD	Toribio Salazar, Jr.
2450	Aaron Stone	2468	Jeremy Gardner
2421	Jesse Watkins	2469	David Clark
2452	Kieron Limby	2470	Graham Melin
2453	Jacob Jesson	2471	A. Jaymes Holt



Licensing Exams, Workshops on Nevada Regulations and Continuing Education

Attention all licensed drillers and potential drillers it is your responsibility to know when and where your Continuing Education Classes, Workshops and License Examinations are held. To assist you in this important matter all workshops, classes and exams are found on the Division of Water Resources website: water.nv.gov. To obtain assistance if you work in Southern Nevada, call the Las Vegas Office at 702-486-2770 prior to the date and time of your class, workshop, or exam. If you work in Northern Nevada, call the Carson City Office at 775-684-2800 prior to the date and time of your class, workshop, or exam. Each office is happy to assist each one of you, so you are well informed and timely attend your regulation workshop, continuing education class or exams. We recognize that your attendance is time away from your job, but it is a benefit to you, your client, the well drilling industry and the water source we are trying to protect for generations to come. Therefore, continuing education and regulation workshops require you to show up on time and attend the full session as no partial credit is provided for attending a portion of a class or arriving late. Late arrivals will be turned away and will have to reschedule to a later date.

Authorization to Drill

Please note that the issuance of authorization to drill by NDWR does not waive the requirement that the driller and/or client obtain other permits from State, Federal, and local agencies. Furthermore, NDWR authorization does not extend the driller and/or client the right to ingress and egress on public, private or corporate lands. Other permits or authorizations by other regulatory agencies or bodies to consider, but this list is not totally inclusive, are the Nevada Division of Environmental Protection, Division of Minerals, local health department, and the USDI Bureau of Land Management.

Our Mission

The mission of the Nevada Division of Water Resources (NDWR) is to conserve, protect, manage and enhance the State's water resources for Nevada's citizens through the appropriation and reallocation of the public waters. In addition, the Division is responsible for quantifying existing water rights; monitoring water use; distributing water in accordance with court decrees; reviewing water availability for new subdivisions and condominiums; reviewing the construction and operation of dams; appropriating geothermal water; licensing and regulating well drillers and water rights surveyors; reviewing flood control projects; monitoring water resource data and records; and providing technical assistance to the public and governmental agencies.

Did You Know?

That you can find most of the answers to your questions just by visiting our website Our website provides our well drillers with a list of continuing education opportunities, exam dates, CEU Program guide, and your carryover CEU credits. Simply click on the "Programs" tab, and there you'll find the Well Log database, Waiver Requests forms, Well Driller Testing dates and locations, Licensing and Regulations, a list of Licensed Nevada Well Drillers, Well Drillers Advisory Board Members, and you can confirm how many carryover CEU credits you have just by clicking on "2012 Carryovers of Driller's CEU Credits". You can find NDWR forms, useful publications, water rights data, maps, contact information and much more just by visiting our website.

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